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COUNCIL MATTER.

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CIRCULATED TO THE MEMBERS OF COUNCIL.

By Order,

C S Balasundaram Iyengar

31st January 1918.

Chief Secretary to Government.

Extraordinary Member of Council.

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First Member of Council.

Second Member of Council.

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I. History of the progress of revision since July 1914.

(1) How the revision originated.--By G.O. dated 27th July 1914 No.G. 787-8/G.M.115-14-1 the officer in charge of Archaeological Researches was entrusted with the revision of the "Mysore Gazetteer". The lines of the revision were not laid down in this order.

(2) Issue of instructions to Deputy Commissioners and Heads of Departments.--In G.O. dated 29th August 1914, Deputy Commissioners and Heads of Departments were requested to promptly comply with requisitions for information connected with the revision of the Gazetteer.

(3) Sanction of establishment.--In G.O. dated 17th October 1914, the entertainment of a small establishment at a monthly cost of Rs.106 and an allowance of Rs.25/- per month for the preparation of maps were sanctioned till 1st July 1915 in connection with the revision of the Gazetteer.

(4) First report of progress.--In his letter dated 5th April 1915, the officer in charge of Archaeological Researches reported the progress made

up to date, pointing out the difficulties encountered and applied for sanction to the continuance of the establishment till 1st July 1916.

This was sanctioned by Government in G.P. dated 17th June 1915.

(5) Second report of progress.--In his letter dated 2nd November 1915 the officer in charge of Archaeological Researches brought to the notice of Government the lack of co-operation on the part of Government Officers in the work entrusted to him and requested Government to issue orders in the matter.

After making some enquiries, the Government, in Order dated 3rd February 1916, issued certain instructions enjoining co-operation on the part of all officers.

(6) Continuance of the establishment.--On the application of the officer in charge of Archaeological Researches, the Government, in order dated 28th April 1916, sanctioned the continuance of the establishment till 1st July 1917.

(7) First call for report of progress from the Secretariat and action taken thereon.--In letter dated 18th July 1916, the Government called for a report of the progress made and after considering this report the Government in order dated 4th December 1916, issued further instructions for expediting the progress.

(8) Further progress report.--In his letter dated 10th March 1917, the officer in charge of Archaeological Researches made a further progress report in connection with the revision of the Gazetteer as forming a subject in the Organization and Development Scheme.

(9) Continuance of the establishment.--By G.O. dated 7th June 1917, the continuance of the establishment was sanctioned for one year from 1st July 1917.

(10) Transfer of the work of revision.-- By G.P. dated 18th June 1917, the work of revision was transferred to the Revenue Secretary on special duty. The work was actually taken up by him on 16th November 1917 on his return from leave.

II. Note on the several editions of the Mysore Gazetteer.

(11) Note on the 1st edition issued in 1876-77.--Before proceeding to comment on the progress of revision since July 1914, it is desirable to describe briefly the issue of the 1st and 2nd editions of the Gazetteer and of the Mysore and Coorg Gazetteer in the Imperial Gazetteer Series.

From the interesting preface to the 1st edition of the Mysore Gazetteer, it will be seen that Mr. Rice undertook the preparation of the Gazetteer in 1873 and that it was finally completed in the

Christmas of 1876, materials for each District having begun to be collected since 1867. Mr. Rice was the Director of Public Instruction during nearly the whole period of the preparation of the Gazetteer (1st edition)

(12) Note on the second edition issued in 1897-98.--The revision of the 1st edition was ordered by Government in G.O. dated 2nd March 1892, an assistant being given to Mr. Rice (who was then the Director of Archaeological Researches). The 2nd edition (2000 copies) was finally issued in 1898 the same having been printed in England by Messrs. Archibald Constable & Co.

(13) Note on the "Mysore and Coorg Gazetteer" issued in the Imperial Gazetteer Series.-- From the preface and from the file relating to the subject, it is seen that this was also prepared by Mr. Rice.

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From G.P. dated 22nd July 1902, which directed the revision of the articles relating to Mysore in the Imperial Gazetteer, it appears that Government intended that "the articles so revised should be printed in the form of a separate pamphlet as a supplement to the 2nd edition of the Mysore Gazetteer." But this was not done, as will be seen from the Director's D.O. dated 26th November 1917. This Gazetteer was finally issued in 1908 i.e., six years after the revision was

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ordered.

III. Comments on the progress since 1914.

(14). It is perhaps an ungracious task to criticise unfavourably the work of others; but the task has to be faced in the interest of future progress.

The first point which has to be noticed is that the G.O. dated 27th July 1914 which directed the revision of the Gazetteer does not lay down the lines of revision or a programme for the revision. It was only when the progress was found to be slow that Government requested the Director to issue a note to the officers specifying the lines on which the revision was to be made.

In the second place, it has to be noted that no attempt has been made to have an officer appointed in each District (as was done in Madras on a similar occasion) for the purpose of collecting and collating the information to be gathered in each District for the revision of the Gazetteer.

In the third place, it must be observed that the establishment given to the Director for the revision (2 clerks and 2 peons) was hardly sufficient, at any rate, in the later stages of the work.

In the fourth place it must be noted that the fixing, by Government, of a time limit of 6 months for the completion of the work by me shows that the arduousness of the task has hardly been

appreciated, regard being had to the fact that the 2nd edition and the edition in the Imperial Gazetteer took 6 years each.

In order to illustrate the justice of the above comments, the methods followed elsewhere in a similar matter will be briefly described below.

IV. Note on the Gazetteers prepared elsewhere.

(15) Note on the Madras Gazetteer.- From the preface to the 1st volume, it will be seen that "the material for the articles on Districts &c., was collected by an officer (generally an assistant or Deputy Collector) appointed in each District" and that "drafts for several sections in the Presidency article were received from the departments concerned". The Gazetteer articles on each District have been so drafted as to leave scope for a separate District Gazetteer.

From the preface to one of these District Gazetteers, it will be seen that Mr. Francis, the editor, had two assistants.

(16) Note on the Bombay Gazetteer From the preface, it will be seen that it was drafted on lines similar to those of the Madras Gazetteer except in one important respect.

In Bombay no District Gazetteers appear to have been separately prepared and hence the articles on the Gazetteer

of each District are drafted more fully than in the corresponding articles of the Madras Gazetteer.

(17) Note on the India Gazetteer.- The methods of compilation are described as follows in the preface:- With a few exceptions "the whole of the work has been written by officials in India under orders of the Indian Government; and every page has been submitted to the criticism of the several Administrations or Departments concerned. The task of editorial supervision has been shared between India and England. x x x x x x The principle adopted was to entrust each subject to an author best qualified to deal with it either by special study or official experience. The names of the authors are usually appended to their chapters; but in other cases the text as finally approved can be regarded only as a composite production based largely on their contributions and their names are then recorded elsewhere. This course has been found necessary in order to maintain the character of official authority that attaches to the work."

Note on the Cochin Gazetteer.--

(18) It was intended to add a note on this; but as copies of the Gazetteer--which have been ordered--have not yet been received, no note is now put up.

It was an elaborate process - & the result a most valuable literary work

V. Scheme of revision to be settled in the light of the above history and of the comparative study of other Gazetteers.

(19) Preliminary considerations.- Rice's Gazetteer (2nd edition) consists of 2 volumes, the first volume comprising 834 pages and the 2nd volume containing 581 pages; while the volume in the Imperial Gazetteer Series consists of 272 pages. The Madras Gazetteer (of 1908) consists of 2 volumes, of 563 and 536 pages respectively while the 2 volumes of the Bombay Gazetteer contain 587 and 660 pages respectively.

Without in any way suggesting that the bulk of the volumes should be proportionate to the area, population and general importance of the provinces or States concerned, it seems to me that Rice's Gazetteer admits of curtailment especially in view of the facts that the volume in the Imperial Gazetteer Series is of much smaller size, that the Gazetteer of 1897-98 treats of "Religion" and "Languages and Literature" in detail while Gazetteers in the Imperial Series treat them cursorily with reference to "Population" and that District hand-books have since been prepared for all the Districts.

Some of these District hand-books may not be complete; but this is a minor point of detail and need not complicate the consideration of the general question.

(20) Plan of revision now suggested. After much consideration the following plan is offered for consideration:-

The bulkiness of Rice's Gazetteer of 1897-98 is due to the facts that it contains much archaeological, historical, linguistic and theological matter which is not to be found in other similar Gazetteers and that it also embodies matter more appropriately since embodied in District hand-books in Mysore and in District Gazetteers in Madras.

It is therefore proposed that the Gazetteer of 1897-98 may be revised on the lines of the Mysore Gazetteer of 1908 (in the Imperial Gazetteer Series), the matter being corrected up to say 1st July 1916 and the method of treatment being neither so elaborate as in the Gazetteer of 1897-98 nor so brief as in the Gazetteer of 1908.

A certain amount of matter will then remain which may be embodied in separate publications as follows.

(a) A history of Mysore and its people to be compiled by the Director of Archaeological Researches (with chapters on Languages, Literature, and Religion &c.).

(b) A manual of administration to be compiled by the Secretariat or the Revenue Secretary on special duty.

(c) District and Taluk hand-books to be compiled by the Deputy Commissioners on a uniform plan. Some of the present District hand-books are not on a uniform

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plan.

The alternative plan is to reduce only the District Gazetteer portion (which will be embodied in District hand-books) and to keep the rest corrected up to say 1st July 1916. But under this plan, the issue of the revised edition will occupy two or three years if not more. Under this second plan the 1st volume may be divided into four parts as in the Imperial Gazetteer of India i.e., (1) Descriptive (2) Historical (3) Economic and (4) Administrative.

But the first plan is offered as embodying the maximum advantages and will also be found to be similar to the method adopted in Madras whereby Dr. Macleane's three bulky volumes of the Manual of Administration published in 1885-93 were reduced to 2 handy volumes in 1908, the extraneous matter being embodied in the Manual of Standing Information and other separate publications. The 1st plan has also the additional advantage of fitting into the plan of the Imperial Gazetteer (the revision of which may probably take place after the next census).

* Since Enclosed in the rest letter chapters of 1911-12 Administration Report

The only disadvantage which may be urged against the first plan is that much of the matter collected during the last 3 years may not be utilised; but this contention will not hold good as under the first plan all the matter collected will be utilised though in separate publications.

The other advantages which may be claimed for the first plan are--

(a) That the Gazetteer by being reduced in size will be more easily read

by the officers of Government and the public for whom it is primarily intended.

(b) That the scholar, the historian, the antiquary and the archaeologist will turn to the history of Mysore to be separately compiled for them.

(c) That the Secretariat, the Heads of Departments and other officers at Head Quarters and the political section of the public will turn to the Manual of Standing Information (or the Manual of Administration) to be separately compiled for them.

Among the papers received from the Director is a memorandum from Mr. Rice about the revision; but his suggestions relate mostly to verbal alterations and where they relate to subject matter they are more or less in favour of condensation.

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But the first plan of revision now proposed by me does not seem to have been thought of either by the Director or Mr. Rice.

(21) Conclusion.-- If the general outlines of revision are settled, a further note will be put up on the following points:--

(a) Detailed table of contents of each chapter of the Gazetteer.

(b) How the material already collected should be utilised and what arrangements should be made in regard to further collection of material.

(c) How each chapter should be written and edited.

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(d) Whether the Revenue Secretary on special duty should tour during the progress of the work.

(e) Whether the present establishment is sufficient or should be increased as the work progresses.

(f) What special arrangements for printing should be made.

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(22) Skeleton tables of contents of the Gazetteer as proposed to be revised.--Two tables of contents, one of the Gazetteer of 1897-98 (Vols.I & II) and another of the Mysore Gazetteer of 1908 are put up.

After comparing these with those of other Gazetteers, an abstract table of contents of the Gazetteer as proposed to be revised according to the two plans is put up. The latter should, of course, be treated as provisional and is subject to revision in details as the work progresses. The detailed table of contents will be drawn up later on.

I submit the 2nd plan
Mysore

(23) What portions of the Gazetteer of 1897-98 require revision.--The following require revision:-

(a) Chapter I. Geology. (pp.13-62) A revised section has been sent by the Director of Mines and Geology: Mr. Rice

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has also suggested curtailment of this in his notes.

(b) Chapter II. Flora.

Crops and Cultivation.-- This consists of about 70 pages, and although very interesting, it admits of considerable curtailment. Mr. Rice has also suggested this. At any rate there is no similar portion in either the Mysore Gazetteer of 1908 or the Madras and Bombay Gazetteers, either under "Botany" or "Agriculture." It may be issued as a bulletin of the Agricultural Department or of the Economic Conference.

(c) Chapter V.-- The portion treating of the "Legendary period" (pp.271-286) may be omitted as in other Gazetteers. The portion treating of the Historical period consists of pp.287-453 and admits of considerable curtailment.

The "History" section in the Mysore Gazetteer of 1908 consists of only 20 pages.

Chapters VI and VII.

"Religion" and "Language and Literature". These (except Literature) are treated cursorily in the Mysore Gazetteer of 1908 in the Chapter on "Population" (corresponding to "Ethnography" in the Mysore Gazetteer of 1897-98) in the Mysore Gazetteer of 1908.

It is a matter for consideration if these should not be either curtailed or omitted.

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Chapter VIII. "Art & Industry".

This may be styled "Economic" as in the Mysore Gazetteer of 1908 and enlarged, certain portions under "Fine Arts" being brought under "Archaeology", a Chapter to be newly included.

Chapter IX. Administration.

(pp.572-798)

All the historical portions pp.572-762 may be omitted. There is no such historical dissertation in either the Madras or Bombay Gazetteer. For instance in the Madras Gazetteer, the article on "Government" (pp.82-83) treats only of the existing form of administration. The historical matter is interesting and important but will be referred to only occasionally by the Secretariat or Heads of Departments or by the political section of the public. It will not be required for the every day use of officers in the Districts or of the public.

(24) How the matter proposed to be omitted should be dealt with.--
The portions dealing with Language, Literature, the detailed portions under "History" and the historical matter under "Administration" may be embodied in a separate publication entitled "A history of Mysore and its people, language, literature and administration."

This proposal is in slight modification of the one made in the first note to have two publications one of

the ordinary history and the other of the history of administration.

This work can also be taken up by me if sufficient help is given by the Director of Archaeological Researches and other officers concerned. This is also in modification of my first proposal to have it compiled by the Director of Archaeological Researches. The question may be put as to wherein lies the advantage of having two works one the "Gazetteer" and the other the "History" ~~and~~ and why the two works should not be combined into one as in the Mysore Gazetteer of 1897-98. As already stated in my first note, this proposal (i.e., 1st plan) is put forward to make the Mysore Gazetteer more or less similar to other Gazetteers and to make the work more readable and handy, by separating the matter required for every day use from the matter required only for occasional use.

The 2nd plan provides for revising the Gazetteer by combining the two in the same volume.

(25) <u>The remarks of the Director of Archaeological Researches about the plan of revision</u>.--In para 2 of his letter No.G.72 dated 5th April 1915 to Government the Director of Archaeological Researches has pointed out that "a large portion of the old Gazetteer will have to be recast and rewritten".

What these portions are has not however, been specified by him.

(26) Programme and the draft G.O. regarding Co-operation from officers.-- These will be put up after the general outlines of revision are settled.

The materials already collected (consisting of 3 big trays of files) will have to be examined (at least cursorily) before the above can be properly prepared.

(27) Old and New District Manuals of the Trichinopoly District.-- These are put up. So far as I have examined, the difference lies in the condensation of the historical portion in the new Gazetteer and in revision of the matter in other respects.

(28) Relation of the District Hand-books to the District portion of the Mysore Gazetteer.--In one sense, there is some overlapping between the two; but the District Hand-books will deal in greater detail with the subjects treated briefly in the District portion of the Mysore Gazetteer. In the Madras Gazetteers there is similar overlapping. It will perhaps sound as a counsel of perfection to advise the omission of the District portion of the Gazetteer and to have only the District and Taluk Hand-books.

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3. If Mr. Thyagaraja Iyer should merely edit notes or chapters received by him from others, the production would be marred by diversity in style and want of continuity in thought.

4. If to do the work in the manner suggested above he should require additional establishment, it may be

If after writing a chapter, he desires the suggestions of the Head of a Department or a Deputy Commissioner in respect of the matter contained in it, the latter may be ~~instructed~~ requested to offer them, I am sure such request will be readily complied with.

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2 Please see portions scored in the draft proof. —

22 There are two sides to the question, and we have never to adopt a practical course. —

23 It is desirable to get the original rough revision in the head office. When issued the rough proof, the Dy Comr should adopt for correction & compliance making [illegible] space for new matter being put in.

24 There is considerable inf[illegible] in the Tabulated handbooks prepd under the Co[illegible] & in bulletins yet I do not adopt. —

25 I think an ext Comr may be attached to this office to form in each dn[illegible] Completely the work of collecting materials

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(1) Points dealt with in para 2 of Chief Secretary's Note.

(a) "Intention of Government"

I do not know if the intention of Government has been clearly expressed in any of the proceedings or orders. But I had to gather the intention of Government from the time limit of six months, from the methods till now followed in the preparation of the several editions of the Gazetteer and from the action taken for the past three years by the Director of Archaeological Researches without any question by Government.

(b) Technical and non-technical subjects.

It is difficult to say in certain cases whether certain subjects are technical or not. There are nine chapters in Volume I of Rice's Gazetteer of 1897 and of these only chapters IV (Ethnography) and IX (Administration) can be said to be non-technical. Even as regards the latter, it is becoming more and more technical; further it is a well known fact that the "General Administration Report" issued by the Secretariat every year is prepared from sections contributed by the Heads of Departments and the Secretariat Branches.

(c) Procedure indicated by the Chief Secretary for the compilation

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of the non-technical portions.

In the first place I desire to point out that while at one point the records in the Districts are said to be neither complete nor properly arranged, I am asked in another point to get information from these very records.

In the second place, I desire to point out that the very method recommended by me for the collection of information from Districts &c., and condemned by the Chief Secretary as unfair has been followed in the compilation of the Madras Gazetteer. An extract from the preface to this Gazetteer was given in my first note and the whole preface is given below:-

"These volumes were compiled by Mr. W.Francis,I.C.S. Drafts for several sections in the Presidency Article were received from the Departments concerned; and special acknowledgments are due to Sir Frederick Nicholson, K.C.I.E. (Agriculture, Rents, Wages and Prices and Land Revenue and Settlement), Mr. C.S.Middlemiss (Geology), Mr. C.A.Barber (Botany), Mr. E.Thurston (Arts), and the late Mr. G.H.Stuart (Education). The material for the articles on Districts, etc., was collected by an officer (generally an Assistant or Deputy Collector) appointed in each District, while the material for the articles on the Travancore and Cochin States

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was contributed by officers of the Darbar."

(2) Points dealt with in para 3 of the Chief Secretary's Note.

This criticism about editing, also applies to the India Gazetteer, the Madras Gazetteer &c., which have all been prepared on the plan adopted in the preparation of the 2nd edition of the Mysore Gazetteer (of 1897) and of the Mysore Gazetteer of 1908. The editorship may be expected to prevent the evils anticipated by this criticism.

(3) Para 4 of the Note.

Now that the whole question of the best way of revising and compiling the Gazetteer has been raised, it will simplify matters if a workable scheme is proposed.

Under the scheme proposed by the Chief Secretary, the officer in charge of the revision will be thrown on his own unaided resources and what can be prepared in a few hours or days by the officer of the Department or District concerned may require much groping in the dark and research work on the part of the officer in charge of the revision.

I am not blindly attached to my own scheme but am ready to work on the lines which may be laid down by Government after consideration of the methods adopted here and elsewhere

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till now in this matter.

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A revised draft (Flag H) is put up in para 2(c) no specific reference is made to Dt, Taluk & Municipal hand-books & Settlement reports, as they may be considered to be included in "otherways".

After the draft is approved a time programme will be drawn up.

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Approved. This is now C. matter.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the 441st *Meeting of the Council of His Highness the Maharaja, held at Bangalore on the* 14th February *19*18.

6. Subject.-Clauses v and x of the Schedule.

Draft order regarding arrangements for the revision of the Mysore Gazetteer.

34 OPINION OF THE COUNCIL.

The draft order may be approved.

Mr. K. Subba Rao may be appointed to work under Mr. Thyagaraja Iyer for the revision. During employment on this duty, Mr. Subba Rao will continue to draw his present emoluments, viz., pay Rs.400 plus Rs.100 personal allowance plus Rs.100 local allowance.

Sd. M.Visvesvaraya,
Dewan of Mysore.

"EXTRACT"

C Balasundaram Jr.

Chief Secretary to Government.

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35 Extract from the Proceedings of the Council is put up.

Forwarded with compliments to the Secretary to Government, Financial Department, for favour of ~~necessary further action~~ remarks.

By Order,

Chief Secretary to Government, 15/2/18
~~General Department~~.

36 No financial objn. The amount req this year may be met from savings in the provision for Secretn of the General & Rev Sects (Rs 23,000) in the current year's budget.

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Final Note by the Second Member of Council.

Subject:—

The accompanying papers relate to the question of the arrangements required to complete the revision of the Mysore Gazetteer.

2. Nearly 4 years have elapsed since Government ordered this work but no substantial progress has yet been made. The work has now been entrusted to Mr.V.R.Thyagaraja Iyer and his memoranda of 5th and 14th December last explain the lines on which he proposes to carry it out and the assistance he requires for its early completion. I have examined these proposals and the details of what I consider to be a workable and necessary arrangement, are embodied in the accompanying draft order.

3. As there is considerable work yet to be done, it is necessary to place the services of an Assistant Commissioner at the disposal of Mr.Thyagaraja Iyer to help him by touring through the districts, inspecting the records and collecting the requisite materials on the spot etc. Without such an arrangement it will be impossible to collect up to date materials and information. Past experience shows that the Deputy Commissioners will not be able to help much in the work with their establishments.

4. The Council have approved of the draft order and have suggested that Mr.K.Subba Rao, Secretary to the Industries and Commerce Committee of the Economic Conference, may be deputed for duty under Mr.Thyagaraja Iyer in connection with this work on his present salary of Rs.400 plus Rs.100 personal allowance

and Rs.100 local allowance. There is no financial objection to the proposals.

Foreign Office Notes

5. The recommendations of the Council may be sanctioned.

22nd Feb.1918.

MEMBER OF COUNCIL.

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Submitted to His Highness.

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46 *I submit herewith a Final Note by the* Second *Member of Council on the subject of* arrangements required to complete the revision of the Mysore Gazetteer *for His Highness' gracious approval.*

M. Visvesvaraya

Dewan.

16th Dec. 1918.

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Record of Cases submitted for the Orders of His Highness the Maharaja

Subject.

Arrangements to complete the revision of the Mysore Gazetteer.

Order.

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4	To Rev. Sy. on Special duty Heads of Departments Deputy Commissioners of Dts. All Secretaries to Govt. G. 13166-215 of 26.3.18. Issues instructions regarding ~~topics relating to~~ the revision of the Mysore Gazetteer.
5	To Compiler, Mysore Gazette, G. 13216 of 26.3.18 Notifies that Mr. K. Subba Rao B.A Sy to ~~Govt.~~ the Industries & Commerce Committee of Economic Conference is posted as Asstt. to Mr. V.R. Thyagaraja Iyer. Rev Sy to Govt.
	To Comptroller, G. 13217 of 26.3.18. Forwards Copy of above with intimation that Mr. Subba Rao will continue to draw his present emoluments ~~together with a Special Allowance of Rs 100/- p.m. local allowance of Rs 50/- p.m.~~
	To Mr. V.R. Thyagaraja Iyer. G. 13218 of 26.3.18 forwards Copy of above with ref. to para 2(c) of G. O. 13166-215 of 21.3.18.

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To Secretary to the Economic Conference.

G. 13219 d/ 26.3.18.

Forwards Copy of above for info.

53 Drafts issued & file returned for circulation to the Finish Member the Extraordinary Member of Council for perusal of His Highness's orders.

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Papers relating to the revision of the Mysore Gazetteer.

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O R D E R No. 8 Dated 26. 3. 1918

1. Preliminary.

In their order No.G.787-8/G.M. 115-14-1 dated 27th July 1914 the Government entrusted the revision of the Mysore Gazetteer of 1897 to the Officer in charge of Archaeological Researches. By the marginally noted orders subsequently passed, the Government issued certain instructions enjoining co-operation on the part of all officers of Government with the officer in charge of the revision.

(1) G.P.No.2188-2230/G.M.158-14-5 dated 29-8-1914.
(2) G.P.No.10888-938/G.M.304-15-12 dated 3-2-1916.
(3) G.P.No.7332-81/G.M.185-16-5 dated 4-12-1916.

2. Issue of further instructions.

In the light of the progress made and the difficulties encountered during the last 3 years, the following further instructions are now issued for the guidance of all the officers concerned.

(a) General plan and scope of the revision.

A skeleton table of contents of Volumes I & II has been drawn up with reference

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reference to similar tables in the Mysore Gazetteer of 1897 and 1908 and is herewith appended. This table is avowedly provisional and liable to alteration in details as the work progresses; but it will show the general outlines of revision. Briefly stated, the object of the revision is to bring the matter up to date by the addition of new materials necessitated by the progress of the last 20 years, by the omission of obsolete information and by condensing the letter-press wherever possible.

(b) Nature of the assistance required from the several officers with regard to the revision of the Gazetteer.

The materials already collected and sent by the several officers are being examined by the officer in charge of the revision. The kind of help further required in regard to the several sections in each chapter will be specified in detail by that officer. It is however necessary to state here that requisitions from him should be promptly and sympathetically complied with. If found absolutely necessary, applications for additional temporary establishment required for this purpose may be made to Government in the respective Departments.

(c) Appointment of a special Assistant Commissioner for the collection of materials for the revision.

As materials for the greater

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part of Volume II and for a portion of Volume I will have to be collected in the Districts, an Assistant Commissioner will be appointed to help the officer in charge of the revision by touring through the Districts and collecting the materials by inspection of the records and in other ways. The Heads of Departments and Deputy Commissioners of Districts are requested to give every facility to the Assistant Commissioner in this matter. These rules have been drawn up in consultation with the Settlement Officer.

Chief Secretary to Government.

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(d) Programme of work.

A time-table for the revision of the material regarding each of the general portion ~~of the work~~ should be drawn up and adhered to. Govt. expect the whole work to be published in 18 months.

To The Revenue Secretary on Special Duty
The Heads of Departments.
The Deputy Commissioners of Dts.
All Secretaries to Government.
~~All other officers~~.

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Part I. Descriptive.

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1. Situation, Area, Boundaries.
2. Origin of name.
3. Natural Divisions and Scenery.
   (a) Malnad (b) Maidan.
4. Hill System; description of particular mountains.
5. River system; description of particular rivers.
6. Tanks: Talpargis.
7. Geology.
8. Botany.
   (a) Forest Trees.
   (b) Crops and Cultivation.
9. Fauna.
   (a) Ferae Naturae (Wild animals).
   (b) Domestic Animals.
10. Climate.
   (a) Seasons.
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11. Rainfall.
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1. Density.
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(3). Palm leaf manuscripts.

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    - Agricultural Banks.
    - Cattle.
    - Sheep and goats.
    - Horses.
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    - Mules.
    - Cattle diseases.
    - Irrigation.
    - Water lifts.
2. Rent, Wages and prices.
3. Forests.
    - Natural Belts.
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4. Mines and Minerals.
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Factory Industries.

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Breweries.

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Part IV. Administrative.

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(2) Agricultural Banks.

(3) Savings Banks.

(4) State Life Insurance.

(5) Local Funds.

(c) Land Revenue.

(d) Miscellaneous Revenue.

(e) Local and Municipal.

(f) Public Works.

(g) Police.

(h) Law and Justice.

Legislation.

Criminal Justice.

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2. Since the Administration Rendition (Continued)

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(k) Education.

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(4) Botany.

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(b) Arboriculture.

(c) Crops.

(d) Horticulture.

(5) Fauna. (Wild and domestic animals).

(6) Climate and Rainfall.

(7) The People.

(a) Distribution.

(b) Towns and villages.

(c) Stock and dwellings.

(d) Festivals &c.

(e) Vital Statistics.

(f) Diseases.

(8) Castes and occupations.

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(10) History.

(11) Archaeology.

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(13) Chief agricultural statistics and principal crops.

(14) Agricultural loans.

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Section III. Economic (continued).

(17) Mines and Quarries.

(18) Arts and Manufactures.

(19) Commerce and Trade: Marts.

(20) Means of communication.

(21) Famine.

Section IV. Administrative.

(22) Divisions.

(23) Judicial.

(24) Land Revenue.

(25) Miscellaneous Revenue.

(26) Local and Municipal Boards.

(27) Police and Jails.

(28) Education.

(29) Medical.

(30) Vaccination.

Section V. Gazetteer of principal places.

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Notification.

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Mr. K. Subba Rao, B.A., Secretary to the Industries and Commerce Committee of the Economic Conference is posted as Assistant to Mr. V.R.Thyagaraja Iyer, Revenue Secretary to Government, On Special Duty. (To join ~~forthwith~~ on relief.)

By order,

CSS 23/3/18
Chief Secy. to Govt.

To the Compiler, Mysore Gazette, for publication.

Memo No. 13217 dated 26.3.18

Copy of the above is forwarded to the Comptroller with the intimation that Mr. Subba Rao during his employment under Mr. Thyagaraja Iyer will continue to draw his present emoluments viz., a pay of Rs.400 together with a personal allce of Rs 100 and local allowances of Rs.100 ~~each~~ per mensem.

2. The extra expenditure involved will be met during the current year from the savings out of the provision for the re-organization of the General and Revenue Secretariat.

By order,

CSS 23/3/18
Chief Secy. to Govt.

Mog 13218 dated 26.3.18

Copies of the above ~~is~~ are forwarded to

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1. Mr. V.R.Thyagaraja Iyer, with reference to paragraph 2(c) of G.O. No. G 13166-215 dated. 26-3-1948 No G 13219 dt 26-3-48 G.u.L.43-47-4

2. The Secretary to the Economic Conference.

By order,

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Chief Secy. to Govt.

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